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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement that includes a completed form PTO-SB-08A. The documents cited are a United States Patent and a published United States Patent Application.

U.S. Patent Document No. 2007/0090047 (Bell et al.) has been cited by the Examiner during the prosecution of an application by one of the present inventors directed to a similar technology. Applicant notes that claims 25-53 of Bell were introduced by amendment on October 20, 2006. An applicant is only entitled to priority in the subject matter that is present in the priority reference. The present application has a priority date of September 1, 2001. Therefore, any subject matter that is only present in claims 23-53 of Bell cannot be properly cited against the present application.

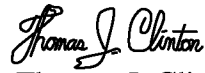
U.S. Patent No. 7,138,084 B2 (Bell et al.) issued from the parent application of U.S. Patent Document No. 2007/0090047.

The pertinent fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) is paid herewith.

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